

# Rombo Mountain Fire Update 9 / 5 / 2007

Western Montana Northern Rockles Incident Commander Glen McNitt

Wednesday, September 5, 2007 9:00 a.m.

Fire Information Center (406) 821-1065 HOURS: 8:00 AM TO 10:00 PM http://www.inciweb.org/

### FIRE STATUS

The Shook Mountain area saw the greatest activity on Tuesday, but crews were able to keep the fire within the line and brought all spot fires under control. Three engines helped firefighters mop up the line to a depth of one chain (66 feet) on the northeast flank.

Crews on the east and south sides of the fire patrolled the line. Fireline restoration began on the west side, where crews pulled hose and repaired fireline.

Today, cooler and damper weather will reduce the chance of fire spread today. Crews and water drops on Shook Mountain will keep the fire in check; the rest of the perimeter will be patrolled. More staff will be assigned to restoring fireline and safety zones.

Drier weather is expected to build through the weekend.

## **EVACUATIONS**

The Stage-1 Pre-evacuations for all areas affected by the Rombo Mountain Fire have been lifted as of 8:00 Tuesday morning.

### **CLOSURES**

Forest Supervisor David T. Bull has altered the southern closure boundary; it is now approximately Overwhich Creek, east to Straight Creek, to the southern side of Trail 606. Lookout Mountain and the roads in the Hughes Creek area are now open; Road 5734 to the Saddle Mountain area is now open. For details about the closure change, please call 821-3269.

### **Quick Facts**

Location: 5 miles south of

Conner, 2 miles east of Painted

Rocks Lake

Start Date: July 31, 2007

Cause: Lightning Containment: 15%

Estimated Containment

Approx. 26,376 acres Size:

Total

Personnel: 298
Crews: 4
Dozers: 4
Engines: 24
Helicopters: 4
Water 7

PUBLIC MEETINGS:

Tenders:

None scheduled at

this time

# **COOPERATING AGENCIES**

West Fork and Painted Rocks Rural Fire Departments, Ravalli County Department of Emergency Services, Ravalli County Sheriff's Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources, Sula Volunteer Fire Department, Darby Volunteer Fire Department and Corvallis Volunteer Fire Department.

Additional Sources of Wildland Fire Information

National
Situation Report
www.nlfc.gov/news/sitreprt.pdf

National Interagency
Fire Center
www.nlfc.gov

National
Fire News
www.nife.gov/fireInfo/nfn.html